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In application of: **Alon et al**

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Title: AN INTERCONNECT-AWARE METHODOLOGY FOR INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT DESIGN

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

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Amendment

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated August 8, 2006 issued by the USPTO in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the August 8, 2006 Office Action is due November 8, 2006. The two-month deadline was due on Sunday, October 8, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed within the two-month deadline.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.